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THE FLAG*

seen, reminding Fritz and Frank of their
expedition
to the country near the Arabian
Watch-tower.

Several elephants appeared as well.
They moved
quietly through the thick woods, and
one could
imagine the longing eyes with which
Jack would
have regarded them if he had been
there !

" While we have been away," Fritz
said, " Jack
may have succeeded in capturing an
elephant, and
taming and training it, as we did
Storm and
Grumbler and Lightfoot! "

" It's quite possible, dear," Jenny
answered.

" After fourteen months' absence we
must expect
to find something new in New
Switzerland."

" Our second fatherland ! " Frank
said.

" I am already picturing other
houses there,"
Dolly exclaimed, " and other farms—
perhaps
village even !"

" Well," said the boatswain, " I could
be quite
content with what we see about us ;
and I can't
imagine anything better in your island
than we
have here."

"It is nothing compared with the
Promised
Land, Mr. Block," Dolly declared,
" Nothing," Jenny agreed. " M.
Zermatt gave
it that Bible name because it deserved

it, and we,
more blest than the children of Israel,
are about
to set foot in the land of Canaan."
And John Block admitted they were
right*
At six o'clock they stopped for the
night.